

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 3-11, 14-24, 40, 41, 46-49, 60, and 61 without prejudice or disclaimer in accordance with the following:

1. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A write once disc including a lead-in zone, a data area, and a lead-out zone, the disc comprising:

a predetermined area storing area allocation information that indicates whether at least one section of the data area is allocated for disc defect management, wherein the predetermined area is formed in a temporary disc defect structure (TDDS) of a temporary defect management area (TDMA), and the area allocation information recorded in the temporary disc defect structure (TDDS) is recorded in a defect management area (DMA).

2. (ORIGINAL) The disc of claim 1, wherein the area allocation information comprises information specifying a size of the at least one section of the data area.

3-11. (CANCELLED)

12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of managing a data area of a write once disc, comprising:

receiving an instruction regarding whether allocation of at least one section of the data area of the disc for disc defect management is required; and

recording area allocation information, which indicates whether the at least one section of the data area is allocated for disc defect management, in a predetermined area of the disc, wherein the predetermined area is formed in a temporary disc defect structure (TDDS) of a temporary defect management area (TDMA).

13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 12, wherein the recording of the area allocation information comprises recording information specifying a size of the at least one section of the data area.

14-37. (CANCELLED)

38. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of reproducing data from a write once disc, comprising:

accessing a predetermined area of the disc to read area allocation information that indicates whether at least one section of a data area is allocated for disc defect management; and

obtaining the area allocation information, wherein the predetermined area is formed in a temporary disc defect structure (TDDS) of a temporary defect management area (TDMA), and the area allocation information recorded in the temporary disc defect structure (TDDS) is recorded in a defect management area (DMA).

39. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 38, wherein the area allocation information comprises information specifying a size of the at least one section.

40-61. (CANCELLED)